GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Cooperation Department – Departmental proceedings initiated by framing article of charge against Smt. L. Kalika Devi, Deputy Registrar/ the then Divisional Cooperative Officer, Machilipatnam, Krishna District (now Retired) on the allegations of irregularities and misappropriation of election funds in conducting elections to PACSs, 2013 in Krishna District - Inquiry conducted – Charge held proved – Orders issued 5% cut on pension for a period of five (5) years - Now SCN issued for recovery of Rs.3,51,216/- by claiming fake bills besides penalty imposed - Explanation submitted - Examined - Recovery under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1041 **Dated: 05-12-2025**

Read the following:-

1. Vigilance Report No.38 (C.No.876 /V&E/D2/2013), dated:15-04-2019 of the D.G., G.A.(V&E) Deptt.,
2. G.O.Rt.No.61, Agri. & Coop. (Vig.II) Deptt., dated:24.01.2023.
3. Govt.MemoNo.AGC01-Coop/138/2019-Vig-II, dated:23.09.2025.
4. Received Explanation dated:22.10.2025 of Smt.L.Kalika Devi, Divisional Co-operative Officer(Retd)

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O R D E R:

In the reference 1st read above, the DG., G.A(V&E) Deptt., has submitted Vigilance Report No.38, dated:15-04-2019, on the allegations of irregularities and misappropriation of election funds during conduct of elections to PACS, 2013 in Krishna District, wherein Smt.L.Kalika Devi, Deputy Registrar (now retired) has committed misappropriation of election fund for an amount of Rs.10,77,300/- by deviating norms and Rs.3,51,216/- by claiming fake bills. The DG, G.A.(V&E) Deptt., recommended for disciplinary action apart from recovery of Rs.3,51,216/-.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, Government, after careful examination of the entire matter, have ordered to impose a penalty of withholding of 5% (five percent) pension for a period of (5) five years against the Charged Officer viz., Smt. L.Kalika Devi, Deputy Registrar/the then Divisional Cooperative Officer, Machilipatnam, Krishna District (Retd), under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980. But, the recovery for an amount of Rs.3,51,216/- which was drawn by claiming fake bills and caused loss to Government was not made as recommended by V&E Department.

3. In view of the above, after examining the matter, it has been decided to recover an amount of Rs.3,51,216/- (Rupees three lakhs fifty one thousand two hundred and sixteen only) from Smt. L. Kalika Devi, Deputy Registrar/ the then Divisional Cooperative Officer, Machilipatnam, Krishna District (Retd.) and accordingly, in the reference 3rd read above, a Show Cause Notice was served on the retired officer, with a request to submit explanation within 15 days under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

4. In response to the Show Cause Notice, Smt. L.Kalika Devi, Deputy Registrar (now Retd.) has submitted her explanation dated:22.10.2025 stating that once disciplinary proceedings have culminated in a final order and punishment has been imposed, no second penalty for the same misconduct can be imposed thereafter and requested the Govt., to considered her case sympathetically and the proposed recovery of Rs.3,51,216/- may be dropped.

5. After thorough examination of the matter, Government hereby order to recover an amount of Rs.3,51,216/- (Rupees three lakhs fifty one thousand two hundred and sixteen only) from Smt. L. Kalika Devi, Deputy Registrar/the then Divisional Cooperative Officer, Machilipatnam, Krishna District (Retd.) for claiming fake bills, which is caused for loss to Government and missed out in the penalty order issued vide G.O.Rt.No.61, Agri. & Coop. (Vig.II) Dept., dated:24.01.2023, under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

6. Accordingly, the Commissioner for Cooperation & Registrar of Cooperative Societies, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action for recovery of Rs.3,51,216/- from the retired officer as ordered above.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR
EX-OFFICIO SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt. L. Kalika Devi**,** Deputy Registrar/ the then Divisional Cooperative Officer, Machilipatnam, Krishna District (Retd.)
(through the CC&RCS, AP, Guntur)
The Commissioner for Cooperation & Registrar of Cooperative Societies, A.P., Guntur.

Copy to:
The General Administration(V&E) Department.
The Secretary, A.P.V.C., A.P. Secretariat.
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// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER